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I hereby appoint the following attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: Joseph S. Tripoli (Reg. No. 26,040), Peter M.Emanuel (Reg. No. 26,542) and Gregory P. Gadson (Reg. No. 31,254) Telephone: (609) 734-9461.

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For valuable consideration received, I hereby sell, assign and transfer to THOMSON LICENSING S.A., a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of France, its successors, and assigns my entire right, title and interest, for all countries in and to said inventions, and all the rights and privileges under any and all Letters Patent that may be granted therefor, and any divisions, continuations, reissues and extensions thereof.

I agree that, when requested, I will, without charge to said corporation but at its expense, sign all papers, take all rightful oaths, make all rightful declarations and do all acts which may be necessary, desirable or convenient for securing and maintaining patents or other forms of protection for said inventions in any and all countries and for vesting title thereto in said corporation, its successors, assigns or nominees.

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